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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C.
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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed April 16, 2008 (copy enclosed), submitted herewith is the Inventor's Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also submitted is a copy of the October 29, 2007 **GRANTED** Decision On Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) to accept the application **without** the signature of joint inventor, Roland Daly.

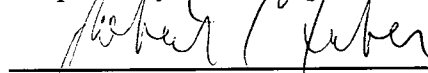
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- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/15/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/15/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/15/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/15/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/15/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/15/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

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